

II. Amendments to Specification

A corrected drawing sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 121(d) with amended Figure 6 was submitted on September 18, 2006. To the extent that has not yet been entered, that submission and request for entry is renewed and incorporated herein by reference.

Please amend Paragraphs 015, 026, and 033 of the Specification as follows, in which new text is underscored and deleted text is ~~struck through~~. Each of these amendments was submitted in a proposed amendment after final rejection that was not entered, and are therefore restated here:¹

Please replace paragraph [015] with the following amended paragraph:

[015] Figure 3 is a side view of the preferred base of this invention, showing that it is preferably constructed ~~off of~~ of a single extruded piece of material in the desired length.

Please replace paragraph [026] with the following amended paragraph:

[026] As best seen in Figs. 1 and 4, holes **30** are placed through the base **10** in the gap area **28** at regular intervals along the entire length of the base to facilitate attachment of the device to the perch location (not shown), for example. Plainly, the holes **30** are only one of innumerable ways in which the attachment can be facilitated. Attachment can be ~~my~~ by any mechanical means such as screw, bolts, staples or nails, or any other attachment means such as adhesives, or a combination of them.

¹ Amendments to Paragraphs 010, 016, 018, 020, 021 and 030 of the Specification were submitted in the "Amendment and Response to 09/29/05 Office Action" submitted on 03/29/06, and entered at that time.

Please replace paragraph [033] with the following amended paragraph:

[033] The device of this invention can be attached to a just about any surface where deterrence is desired -- from flat horizontal surfaces (such as window ledges, building edges and billboard tops where some birds like to perch and roost), to vertical or skewed surfaces (such as fence rails, posts or other surfaces where the device might be used to deter farm animals, vermin or varmints), to radically curved surfaces (such as on outdoor artwork and statues to deter birds from perching and defacing the structure with their droppings). The device can also easily accommodate planar and non-planar angles. Because the device can be radically bent in a non-planar way, most non-planar surface transitions can be accommodated simply by bending the device. For planar surface transitions, the base **10** and braided elements **12a** and **12b** can be easily cut through at any angle using conventional means so that adjacent ends of the cut pieces can be brought together to follow the application topography. The adjacent cut ends of the braided elements **12a** and **12b** can be reattached to recreate the circuit by any conventional means such as flexible, crimpable connector pieces or soldering, as only two of many examples.

[end of amendments to Specification]